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Marginal Column

By ZE'EV LAQUEUR

IN 1857 an English barrister by the name of Thomas Hare published the first coherent blueprint for proportional representation and his contemporary John Stuart Mill hailed it as "among the very greatest improvements yet made in the theory and practice of government." This however is not what most of the British thought, because though the system was adopted in many other democratic countries it was not accepted in Britain. On the whole, however, the trend during the last century was away from constituency elections, or to use the more widely known French term, *scrutin d'arrondissement*. Many countries have experimented between various forms of the two without taking a final decision to this very day. What then have been the lessons of a century of elections?

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THE main arguments against constituency elections have been that they may leave important minorities without representation and that, generally speaking, they tend to reduce interest in public affairs. Nor has a satisfactory solution ever been found to the problem of marking constituencies. As a rule their limits have been fixed according to the political interests of the party or parties in power. But there has been an even more basic argument than the charge of gerrymandering. Why should it be assumed that a territorial constituency which includes so many people of conflicting interests and needs should be able to make a representative choice? In these conditions could not a minority of voters easily return a majority of representatives? And to whom should the deputies elected on this basis be responsible? To the party, the wishes of their electors, or their own conscience?

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THE arguments most frequently voiced against proportional representation are that it tends to favour mathematical justice rather than stable government, and many people have become far less enthusiastic about mathematical justice than John Stuart Mill was in his day. In fact, many of the people who invented P.R. and later improved on it have been mathematicians, not social scientists. The system has given different results in different lands. It has not preserved parliamentary democracy in countries such as Italy and Germany (between the first and second world war), in Poland and Bulgaria, in Portugal or Cuba, to name a few. On the other hand it has worked well in Sweden and Norway, in Belgium and Switzerland, and a recent detailed investigation in the Unesco Social Science Studies tends to shows that in these countries it has not even caused an increase in the number of political parties (which is one of the main arguments against P.R.) and a decrease in political stability. In some countries it has brought about larger participation by the public, and in others it has not had this effect.

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ALL this tends to show, what should have been known before, that there are no ideal systems of election and representation, and that success or failure depends more on the political and social forces in a given country, its tradition and specific needs, than on the system of election. The belief that the scientist must only find absolutely just institutions to make individual and society happy which from Descartes onwards has made its imprint on French social thinking (with results frequently not happy for French politics) was also the underlying assumption of the early preachers of P.R. and it has been proven to be a fallacy. But this argument cuts both ways, and it would be wrong to expect great or even decisive changes in the political life of Israel as a result of a change in the electoral system. If the main intention is now to guarantee stable government rather than safeguarding parliamentary representation for all and any minority group, then P.R. obviously is the less suitable system. But on the whole, institutions and electoral systems are of far lesser importance than the political and social forces underlying a society: Bulgaria for instance had compulsory voting as early as 1882 to educate the population to active citizenship, and yet it has not become the most democratic country in the world. The questions to be asked then are: What electoral system would be most in line with the needs of this country now? How would a different electoral system work out in practice? These points will be considered further.

Jerusalem, September 19.

Russia Leads, Israel Is Eighth in Chess

AMSTERDAM, Saturday.— The Soviet Union regained the lead in the Chess Olympics here this afternoon, when it was leading by two points to one against Bulgaria. One game has been adjourned.

The Israel team lost to West Germany yesterday, which finished the match with 2½ points to Israel's 1½. Dr. Oren was the only Israel player to win his match, while Mr. Kniaser drew with his opponent. Messrs. Czerniak and Aloni lost their games.

The standings are now:

1. U.S.S.R. 14 (one game adjourned); 2. and 3. Argentina and Yugoslavia, each 13½; 4. Czechoslovakia 12½; 5. and 6. Holland and Hungary, each 11; 7. West Germany 10½; 8. Israel 10; 9. Bulgaria 8 (one game adjourned); 10. England [illegible]; 11. Iceland [illegible] and 12. Sweden [illegible].

Formosa 'Must Be Wiped Out,' China Congress Told

LONDON, Saturday. — Gen. Yeh Chien-ying today told the first National Congress meeting in Peking that the Chinese Army "must ... wipe out" the Nationalist stronghold of Formosa.

A New China News Agency dispatch monitored here stated that Gen. Yeh, himself a delegate, spoke on the fourth day of the congress.

He said that China's "security and Socialist construction are seriously menaced by the American imperialists who have encroached on China's Taiwan (Formosa)" and are "actively arming the Nationalist forces."

Earlier, Peking Radio reported that two Communist Party committees, those of the East and of the South-West Military Areas, had called on the armed forces to "prepare for battle," to "liberate Formosa" and "eliminate the Chiang Kai-shek gang."

Amoy Bombed Again

Reports from Taipeh, capital of Formosa, said today that Nationalist planes had again bombed the vicinity of Amoy, mainland port across the Strait of Formosa, and that other planes had conducted reconnaissance flights over an extensive area. They added that desultory exchanges had occurred between the artillery units on Quemoy Island and the mainland.

Yesterday, a report from Hong Kong stated that Chinese Communist and Nationalist warships had engaged in a 40-minute battle some 50 kms. south of Taichen Island, Nationalist stronghold south-east of Shanghai and 320 kms. north of Formosa. *(Reuter, UP)*

Russia Explodes Her 6th Atomic Weapon

MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuter). — Russia yesterday announced "valuable results" from an atomic weapon test — believed to be her sixth — which "will help Soviet scientists and engineers to solve successfully the problems of defence from atomic attack."

Western observers here believe that the announcement may be intended to strengthen the Soviet citizen's conviction that his Government considers a good defence against atom attack to be possible and that it is doing everything it can to work out appropriate measures.

(Two Japanese scientists, Prof. Radao Namerikawa, head of Kyoto University Weather Observatory, and his assistant, Mr. Ayusaburo Yamamoto, told reporters yesterday that they believed Russia might have exploded hydrogen bombs on August 26 and 29, when they recorded unusual pressure fluctuations on their instruments).

Czechs Kidnap 2 US Soldiers, Army Says

HEIDELBERG, Saturday (UP). — Two American soldiers were abducted by Czech border guards yesterday, the U.S. Army headquarters notified the State Department today.

An Army spokesman said that an American lieutenant and a private were surprised and seized by armed Czech guards "on our side" of the border near the West German frontier village of Eslarn. He confirmed German police reports that the lieutenant was in civilian clothes.

Ask Yoshida Indictment On Contempt Charge

TOKYO, Saturday (UP). — A parliamentary committee voted today to indict Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida on a contempt charge, but the indictment must be approved by Mr. Yoshida himself.

The opposition-dominated Audit Committee of the Diet's Lower House voted 10-9 for an unprecedented criminal indictment against Mr. Yoshida because he refused its subpoena to testify in the shipbuilding scandal, in which government officials were charged with accepting bribes. Under Japanese law any legal action against a Cabinet Minister must be approved by the Premier.

More Algerian 'Quakes Cause 300 Deaths

ORLEANSVILLE, Algeria, Saturday (Reuter). — New earth tremors rocked this devastated city late on Thursday night cutting off electricity and telephones and toppling already damaged houses. Three hundred people were reported killed.

The Mayor's residence and a college were among the buildings destroyed. Firemen still toiled among the rubble of the ruined city today.

MAN DROWNS NEAR HAIFA

HAIFA, Saturday. — Denis Bases, 42, according to the police, a British subject, drowned at 5 p.m. today off the Habotrim beach, south of here. The body has not yet been recovered. Bases was an employee of the Frazer Company.

BLOWN UP BY SHELL

RAMLE, Saturday. — Mr. Shalom Itzhak, 20, of Neve Elena was blown to pieces yesterday while examining a three-inch mortar shell near Golis village in the South.

No Substitute Found Yet for EDC—Dulles

WATERTOWN, N.Y., Saturday (Reuter). — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said today that no acceptable substitute for the European Defence Community had fully developed, but he hoped for something to "justify a preliminary meeting of Foreign Ministers late this month" in London.

Mr. Dulles flew here from London for a week-end rest at his cottage on Duck Island in Lake Ontario after meeting British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, which resulted in their agreement for an early conference to discuss full equality for Germany in Western defence.

Mr. Dulles and West German Chancellor Adenauer announced jointly on Friday that West Germany should receive "at all speed" full equality in a collective defence system and the restoration of sovereignty.

The joint communique also stated that this programme, so important for the fate of Germany and the free world, in the view of the two Ministers should be further considered as soon as practicable with the other interested governments, and following a NATO ministerial meeting, should be translated into concrete action.

In his statement today, Mr. Dulles said he felt "confident that we can continue to count on the Federal Republic of Germany to pursue policies of wisdom and moderation."

He added that the German Chancellor felt it was no longer possible to withhold sovereignty from Germany until European unity is achieved and that preliminary steps which will permit Germany to exercise the inherent right of individual and collective defence can no longer be deferred.

Mr. Dulles said he informed Dr. Adenauer that these views were shared not only by President Eisenhower but by "Congress and I believe by the American people generally."

NATO Council Meets In Mid-October

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter).— A meeting of NATO's Ministerial Council has been called for around October 15, it was announced here tonight.

A statement by the NATO Council said the exact date and venue of the meeting had not yet been decided.

The Council will study the situation arising from the rejection of the European Army treaty by the French National Assembly, the statement said.

France Accepts Bonn Entry Into Pact

LONDON, Saturday. — French Premier Pierre Mendes-France publicly stamped his preliminary approval on bringing Germany into the Brussels pact today but indicated solidly that he is not agreeing to immediate German membership in NATO.

Answering questions submitted by the "Manchester Guardian," he showed clearly that Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden had failed to convince him in their Paris talks on Thursday that Germany should immediately be brought into NATO.

From Strasbourg it was reported that West German delegates at the Council of Europe meeting today mistakenly announced that Chancellor Adenauer would arrive on Monday to adress the 15-nation Consultative Assembly.

M. Mendes-France will address delegates on Monday in the debate now in progress on the future of European defence following French rejection of the European Army project. *(UP, Reuter)*

200 Mau Mau Freed In Raid on Prison

NAIROBI, Saturday (Reuter). — An armed gang of about 40 Mau Mau terrorists attacked Lukinia prison about 50 kms. south-east of here last night and released 200 Mau Mau convicts, it was announced here today.

By today, 31 convicts had been recaptured.

The terrorist force surrounded the prison and launched the attack at a signal of red Verey light flares and the blowing of bugles. Firing and yelling, they broke in through the perimeter wire and hustled the convicts out of the camp. Only one convict was found in the prison camp immediately after the attack.

Twenty African prison warders are missing. The terrorists seized nine rifles and 300 rounds of ammunition.

With the released convicts they fled north towards a sisal plantation giving ample cover. One thousand troops and police were sent to the area at dawn today, and the hunt was launched with the aid of tracker dogs and spotter aircraft.

Tahal Check Warns Of Drying Water Sources

Israel's subterranean water resources are being used up too rapidly and all further agricultural expansion now depends on the speedy implementation of the Jordan River project, and increased exploitation of flood waters by enlarging existing lakes and constructing new ones.

These conclusions were established in an all-inclusive investigation by Tahal, Water Planning for Israel, headed by Professor Charles Edward Jacob. The investigation was completed this week.

The hydraulic possibilities of 120 wells throughout the country were established in the investigation which included the Dan and Yarkon rivers and the Taninim wadi.

About 70 per cent of the underground supplies are being used for agriculture, industry and domestic purposes. The general consumption of water has reached 850 million cubic metres a day of which 600 million c.m. are from such sources.

W. GERMAN PRIESTS VISIT BEERSHEBA

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — Two West German Catholic priests visiting Israel under a special Foreign Ministry visa visited this town yesterday. They are members of the West German-Israel Association.

SELIHOT BROADCAST

The *Selihot* service (penitential prayers preceding the Hebrew New Year) was broadcast over Kol Yisrael at midnight last night.

The service was read by Cantor Shabtai Ackerman with choir and introduced by the Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, Rabbi J. L. Unterman.

BABY KILLED BY HORSE

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Two-and-a-half-year-old David Ha'ish was trampled to death on Thursday afternoon when a wild horse burst into the yard of his parents' home in Beit Arif Alef near Lydda.

The horse went berserk while pulling a cart driven by Mr. Leon Helpman, 38, of Lydda. It charged off the road and into the Ha'ish yard, where the horse and cart hit the baby who was playing there. Damage was also caused to the nearby apartment of Mr. Ya'acov Medman.

French Free Bourguiba From House Arrest

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — Habib Bourguiba, exiled leader of the Neo-Destour (Nationalist) Party in Tunisia, was freed from forced residence at a country house near Paris yesterday.

He was told that he may travel freely anywhere in France except in Paris and its suburbs. He may not go abroad or return to Tunisia.

Bourguiba said that he was "somewhat disappointed," as he had asked to be able to visit Paris and the suburb of Enghien for medical treatment. But he added, "Nevertheless I consider this easing of restrictions as a stage and a transition before I am granted my complete freedom."

3 MORROCANS SHOT

CASABLANCA, Saturday (Reuter). — Terrorists shot dead three Moroccans in two attacks in the streets of Casablanca today, police reported.

Chief Rabbi Asks Blessing on US

"Who could have guessed when the Mayflower set sail that a new chapter was being opened not only in world history but also in the history of the Jewish people," the Chief Rabbi, Dr. I.H. Herzog asked, speaking yesterday morning in the Yeshurun Synagogue, Jerusalem, on the occasion of the tercentenary of American Jewry, in the presence of President Ben-Zvi and many American visitors.

"There were no Jews on the Mayflower, but her passengers carried with them into the new country ideals of the Hebrew prophets and the principles of the righteous law of Moses," the Chief Rabbi said.

Paying tribute to what the American Government and people have done for the Jewish refugees and the State of Israel, Rabbi Herzog expressed his hope that reports of adverse tendencies vis à vis Israel in certain quarters of the U.S. would prove unfounded.

He concluded by invoking the priestly benediction on American Jewry and on all citizens of the U.S.

Syria Asks Brotherhood To Curb Activities

DAMASCUS, Saturday (Reuter). The Syrian Government has asked the Moslem Brotherhood to suspend its activities against Egypt following the violently anti-Egypt resolutions passed by the Brotherhood conference here last week.

The Government has also asked Egyptian political refugees to abstain from any political actions. Reports in Damascus say that the Brotherhood has resolved to transfer its headquarters and activity from Cairo to Damascus.

All Independents in New Lebanon Gov't

BEIRUT, Saturday (Reuter).— Sami e-Solh, appointed Prime Minister, announced his Government yesterday. All the Ministers are Independents.

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior is Gabriel Murr; Foreign Minister, Alfred Naccache; Defence, Majid Arslan; Justice and Public Health, Charles Helou; Economy and Social Affairs, Rashid Karame; Finance and Information, Muhal e-Din Souly; Agriculture, Salim Haidar; Education, Maurice Towain; Public Works, Naim Moghabghab.

Burns Says UN Officers Patrol Jerusalem Border

Jerusalem Post Staff

United Nations Observers attached to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission have been regularly patrolling the Jerusalem area ever since the last serious flare-up in June, the U.N. Chief of Staff, General Burns, confirmed last night.

This patrol, covering both sides of the line, from Sanhedria to Ramat Rahel, has become a 24-hour routine. The U.N. Officers also have certain observation points, including some on the Old City walls, which are visited daily.

When General Burns inspected the lines he was accompanied by a Jordanian officer, but this is not the regular practice, as the patrols are made independently of the local military authorities.

With the transfer of another U.N. Observer from Damascus this week, the team on the Jordan frontier will number 15 officers.

The former U.N. Chief of Staff, General Vagn Bennike, will leave Israel for his home in Denmark early this week. He will pass through Damascus to receive the medal recently awarded him by Syria.

He returned to Jerusalem on Friday, being joined in Beirut by Mrs. Bennike and General Burns. The latter denied a Reuters' report last night that he had held discussions on frontier incidents with the Lebanese Government.

General Burns plans to visit Amman today, to meet the Arab Legion Chief of Staff, General John Glubb, who was in London when General Burns was last in Amman. The U.N. Chief of Staff will be received by King Hussein.

LEGION STONES POLICE POST

Arab Legionaires threw stones at the Israel police post at Mandelbaum Gate at 1:30 a.m. on Friday. The police did not reply to the attack. In the past few weeks there has been an increase of stone-throwing by the Arab Legion into Jerusalem. This was the first time, however, that an official post has been attacked in this manner.

Israel Insists on Arms To Maintain Balance of Power

Nuri: 'Palestine Solution' Soon

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — Iraqi Premier Gen. Nuri e-Said said yesterday that he was confident that the "Palestine question" would soon be solved, following which the Arab states and people would embark on full cooperation with the West.

(Premier e-Said arrived today in London on a visit and tomorrow is scheduled to meet Minister of State Selwyn Lloyd in a call described as a "courtesy one," but during which diplomatic quarters expect him to discuss various Anglo-Iraq questions and problems, including the possible revision of the Anglo-Iraqi treaty of 1931).

Addressing a press conference, the Iraqi Premier stated that the Arabs had decided on this policy in 1949, when they laid down that cooperation would be conditioned by the settlement of two main problems — solution of the Suez Canal dispute and the "Palestine" problem. But he refused to say whether he discussed the "Palestine" question with Premier Nasser.

Elaborating on the Arab desire for cooperation with the West, he went on, "Back in 1949, the Arab leaders met to decide what course to take in the East-West dispute. We were faced with three alternatives: siding with Russia, siding with the West, or remaining neutral. So far as Russia was concerned, Moslem Arabs could not cooperate unless they went Communist, which they were not prepared to do. As regards neutrality, it was evident that the Arabs were too weak to stand alone.

The only alternative was cooperation with the West, provided that the chief problems of Suez and "Palestine" were solved. This had remained the Arab basic foreign policy, he added.

Questioned on the wisdom of Iraq's acceptance of U.S. military aid, he replied "Why not? We need arms and we are getting them free. I think other Arab states will follow suit."

Elath to Report On Israel's Concern

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday —The Ambassador to Britain, Mr. Eliahu Elath, left for London by El Al yesterday with instructions "to report to the British Government on the concern felt by the Government and people of Israel at the changes in the balance of power in the Middle East following intentions to arm the Arab states," he said here. Mr. Elath flew back to London with Mrs. Elath after consultations.

The arming of the Arab states would not only endanger the situation but would also make more remote the chances of peace in this area, he stated. "We on our side have announced, and continue to announce, our readiness to come to an arrangement with Jordan for an improvement in the situation, but unfortunately we have found no response." *(Itim)*

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Mr. Elath returned to his post here today.

Arabs Again Offered Peace Negotiations

LONDON, Saturday. — The Israel Embassy here, replying to the statement issued by the eight Arab envoys (reported fully in columns 4 & 5) said last night that if arms are supplied to the Arab states then Israel must insist on receiving arms in the same measure so that the balance of power will be preserved, and not be impaired to "the advantage of those who continue to threaten Israel's annihilation."

Moreover, the Embassy spokesman said, the delivery of arms to Arab countries should be made conditional "on the complete cessation of hostile activities."

The spokesman repeated Israel's readiness to engage in immediate peace negotiations, pointing out the Arab refusal coupled with threats to engage in a second round.

Stressing Israel's restraint in the face of five years of provocation, the spokesman said it was not unnatural that the people of Israel now and then decide to hit back.

Replying to questions, he charged:

"The unhappy situation in the Middle East is the aftermath of the war which the Arab states launched on Israel on the day of her birth. Israel was founded on the basis of a U.N. decision which the Arabs refused to recognize and attempted to overthrow by force.

"In that war, the Arab states were beaten by the Israel Army, which by its own efforts vindicated the U.N. decision and secured the establishment of Israel. It ill behooves the Arabs to claim the sanctity of a U.N. decision."

In the midst of that war and since its end, the Israel Government informed the world as well as the Arab states of its readiness to engage in immediate negotiations for a fair peace settlement in which all outstanding problems would find their solution, it was pointed out.

It is only natural, said the spokesman, that Israel should continue to oppose any policy of supplying further armaments to those whose announced policy is to make war on her again.

The statement referred to the Arab economic blockade of Israel and to the armed infiltration by the Arabs of her borders. It said that this harrassment had cost hundreds of Israel lives and had caused damages amounting to hundreds of thousands of pounds.

"It is only natural that after five years of continued pillage and murder, and the absence of any sign of the Arab Governments doing anything practical to cease these activities" that the Israelis should decide to return such blows.

The statement declared that Arab refugees had fled Israel in the course of the war at the instigation of the Arab Governments who had promised their early return in the wake of a victorious Arab Army. *(INA, UP)*

Nasser Won't Accept US Army Mission

By JESSE ZEL LURIE

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Saturday. — The Egyptian Premier, Colonel Gamal Abdul Nasser, resisted pressure by the Iraqi Premier, Nuri e-Said, to accept the military mission which American law specifies must supervise the use of arms, "The New York Times" reported today from Cairo.

Col. Nasser told the "U.S. News and World Report" a fortnight ago that the Egyptian people would say that he substituted the American military for the British.

The Egyptian Premier hinted that he could circumvent the law by using U.S. Embassy military attaches instead of the special mission. He claimed that the U.S. did this in Yugoslavia, and told Nuri that if the Americans insisted on the mission, he would rather purchase arms in Britain and elsewhere.

The report said that Iraq and Egypt disagree on the urgency of arming against the Soviet Union.

As for Israel, Nuri told the press in Cairo that he hoped with "God's help" that the Israel-Arab dispute could be ended. This peace-loving pose was dramatically revealed to world opinion by the Arab envoys in London. Their accusations regarding Israel "aggression" appeared on the front page of today's issue of "The New York Times."

Arabs Sing 'Aggression' Theme

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter).— The eight Arab envoys here, in a joint statement last night, said that urgent measures must be taken "to deter Israel from any further aggression" to avoid an outburst in the Middle East.

The statement, read to the press by the Egyptian Ambassador, Abdul Rahman Hakki, urged that immediate assistance should be given the Arab states to strengthen them economically and militarily.

"We wish to warn against the false clamour of Israel for peace. If she were sincere, she should at least have attempted to create a propitious atmosphere by respecting and executing the resolutions of the U.N. which she had hitherto flouted and ignored," the ambassadors said.

The statement warned that unless immigration to Israel was put under control the "unnatural growth of the population will create an explosive situation dangerous to the whole region." The serious danger in the area threatens to nullify the development of friendly relations between Arab countries and the West, "leaving this vital region open to attack from both within and without," it was stated.

The ambassadors charged that Israel "engaged in continual acts of aggression," thus threatening peace in the Middle East. These acts, they continued are increasing in number and scope and are planned, organised and carried out by Israel military forces. Pointing out that the first acts were against Jordan villages near the demarcation lines, the statement claimed that now the Israel attacks are directed against military forces.

It said that any move to strengthen the Arab states, whether by the extension of Western military aid or by themselves, and any political initiative by the Arabs in their internal affairs, is regarded by Israel as something to be resisted. Israel demands that the Western powers should maintain the existing equilibrium between her and the Arab states. The statement asked, "How can any equilibrium be maintained between a state comprising 1½ million people and a number of states comprising about 60 million people, unless by the forcing on the latter of continued poverty and disunity?"

Israel policy "is inimical to the healthy development of the Middle East and to the interests of the West and of world peace." In urging aid to the Arabs, the statement want on, "no world strategy of peace can afford to leave some 60 million people poor and insufficiently armed in one of the most important strategic areas."

Large Figures

The statement claimed that nearly one million Palestine Arabs in 1948 were dispossessed of their homes to become refugees in surrounding countries, and that their property now constituted about 90 per cent of what was called Israel today.

The Egyptian Ambassador, answering questions, claimed several times that the Arab states harboured no ideas of aggression against Israel and when asked about possible coexistence with Israel replied "We have no desire to provoke the Arab world."

He contended that the present atmosphere was not conducive for the Arab states to make peace moves towards Israel.

Earlier, the envoys of Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Yemen, and Libya, called on Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, Minister of State, at the Foreign Office, to inform him that following the Anglo-Egyptian Suez agreement a new epoch had opened in Arab-Western relations. They told him that Israel should not be "allowed to do anything to harm this new friendly relationship."

T.A. STRIKE ENDS

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The 10-day strike at the Municipal Engineering Department here ended yesterday following the signing of an agreement between Mayor Haim Levanon and Mr. E. Schechter, chairman of the Tel Aviv Labour Council.

The agreement stipulated that Mr. A. Rimon, the clerk whose transfer to the Pavements Section of the Roads Department was resented by the Municipal Workers' Committee, would be transferred to another section. The Mayor also undertook in writing to consult the Workers' Committee on any appointment to a responsible municipal position.

The strike and the agreement will be the subject of a municipal workers' meeting at the Ohel Shem Hall here tomorrow at 6 p.m.

Nuri Reported Pressing For 'Peace' with Israel

LONDON, Saturday (UP).—The "Daily Telegraph" reported from Beirut that Iraqi Premier Nuri e-Said is undertaking a secret campaign to reach peace with Israel.

Special correspondent Colin Reid wrote that Iraq is ready to subscribe to a peace treaty if Israel carries out the existing recommendations of the U.N. His story said that Iraq would receive and rehabilitate refugees "on a grand scale" if agreement is reached.

Lord Kinross, who served with the RAF in the Middle East during World War II and with the British Embassy in Cairo, in a letter today to the "Daily Telegraph" said that Israel can create a climate more favourable for peace talks if she curbs military operations on the frontier; abolishes military government in the Arab areas not on the frontier; and makes a concrete cash offer of compensation for Arab refugee property.

Meanwhile, the independent weekly, "Spectator," in an editorial today, said, "The declared intention of the Arab states is still the eradication of Israel, and that no doubt that is one reason why the Jewish forces on the border should be so quick on the trigger."

Arabs Confirm Israel Warning

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM,

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Saturday. — The Israel Embassy has been quick in countering last night's unusual statement issued by the Arab League on the eve of Iraqi Premier Nuri e-Said's arrival here.

The real answer to the statement is, however, contained in today's "Manchester Guardian" editorial which reminds the Arabs that they are still refusing to make peace and pertinently suggests that "if the Arabs can be enabled to overcome their poverty and disunion they will end the equilibrium by eliminating Israel." That this is in fact the aim of Arab policy has been argued by Israel spokesmen here for so long that today they may well feel some satisfaction at seeing their warnings confirmed by an official Arab League proclamation.

"The Times" naturally ignores the whole issue in its editorial columns and prints an abbreviated version of the Arab League statement from which its inflammatory passages are omitted.

Nothing, indeed, could suit the Foreign Office less than this characteristic piece of Arab ineptitude. It has been the constant theme of official spokesmen here since the conclusion of the Anglo-Egyptian agreement that Israel's interests are in no way affected, and that the Arab states are ceasing to concern themselves with "Palestine." The Arabs have now gone out of their way to demonstrate the opposite.

The only rational explanation yet advanced for their seemingly irrational behaviour is that Israel must serve as a smokescreen for Nuri's coming negotiations here whose aim it is to tighten Iraq's Western orientation and to prepare the way for her adhesion to the Turco-Pakistani pact.

Anglo-Iraq Treaty

"The Times" today reminds its readers that the Anglo-Iraqi treaty has three years to run and that under its terms, Britain maintains two major air bases at Habbaniya and Shaiba. There is a hint that Baghdad would like to follow the example of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty in arranging for civilian firms to maintain these bases, in other words, that the bases are to come under Iraqi control. As a sop, there is to be more scope for British military advisers in Iraq, assuming, of course, that Britain plays her part by supplying more equipment.

What "The Times" omits to mention is that this scheme has effective American support and is, therefore, certain of eventual adoption.

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The Prime Minister and Mrs. Sharett, the American Consul-General in Jerusalem and Mrs. Cole, and Mayor Y. Kariv, yesterday visited the exhibition, "Artistic Photography," at the Bezalel National Museum in Jerusalem.

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ARRIVALS: Aluf Dan Tolkowsky, O.C. Air Force, returning from an official visit to the Farnborough Air Show in Britain (by El Al). Mr. Charles Mayer, civil engineer of New York, at the invitation of the Government.

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DEPARTURES: Mr. Moshe Tov, Director of the Latin American Division of the Foreign Ministry, on his way to New York to join the Israel Delegation to the U.N. General Assembly; Mr. Amos Irron, Director of the Government Tourist Centre, to London to attend the International Conference of Government Tourist Offices; Mr. L. Tedeschi, Director-Designate of the Government Tourist Office to be opened in Rome, returning to Rome after a three-week visit; Dr. Y. Schechter, Chairman of the World Council of the Herut Revisionist movement, returning to New York after an extended visit during which he gathered material for a biography of Ze'ev Jabotinsky; Mr. J. Beer chief radio engineer of El Al, on his way to London to attend an IATA conference on ground-air communications; Mr. John Marsh, South African journalist, and his wife Leona for Rome after a short visit as part of a world tour in connection with their "Travel Promotion Movement"; and eight of the 14 members of the "Union of Congregations of the Virgin Mary" returning to Montreal after a one-day visit to Christian holy places during a Marian Year pilgrimage (by El Al).

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Dr. K. A. Moosberg, Managing Director of Nechushtan Ltd., has left for abroad in connection with the manufacture of "Schindler" lifts in Israel. Nechushtan Ltd. for many years has distributed and installed the lifts supplied by Schindler et Cie. A.G., Luzern, Switzerland.

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GUGENHEIM—GUGGENHEIM

The marriage took place on September 2, 1954 between Kurt Michael Gugenheim and Lotte Guggenheim née Bamberger, both of Tel Aviv, 38 Rehov Gordon.

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TOMBSTONE UNVEILING

A tombstone over the grave of Abraham Leib Fox, the Jewish Agency physician, will be unveiled in the Givat Shaul cemetery, today, the first anniversary of his death. Those attending are requested to meet at the Menorah Club at 3:30 p.m.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 3, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

ARMON: Cyrano de Bergerac.
EDEN: I Love Melvyn.
EDISON: Walking My Baby Back Home.
ORGIL: Androcles and the Lion.
ORION: Prince of Pirates.
OENA: Another Man's Poison.
STUDIO: The Fountainhead, 2nd week.
ZION: Stalag 17, 2nd week.
TEL OR: Double Dynamite.

Where to go

TODAY

JERUSALEM

★ Exhibitions:—

"Photography in Israel," exhibit of new acquisitions to the Art Library. Exhibit of the month: Samarkand earthenware, bowl with inscription, 9-10th centuries. National Museum Bezalel, 9-1, 3-6 p.m.

"Conquest of the Desert" permanent exhibition at the former Israel pavilion of the international "Conquest of the Desert" exhibition, 10-1, 4-8 p.m.

Department of Antiquities. Special exhibition: Excavations of a Cana'anite Temple on the seashore of Nahariya (XVIIIth-XVIth centuries B.C.E.). 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1 4-6 p.m.

Paintings by Regina Lichter and Gallery of Jerusalem Artists; Artists' House, 10-1 4-6.

The Harav Kook prize-winning books of the last 13 years. Exhibition will continue until Sukkot, Central Israel Torah Library, Rehov Hillel. Sunday and Wednesday, 9-12, 5-7.

★ Film Shows:—

Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors, 11.30 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ For Children:—

Children of the Nations in Song and Dance: ZOA House, 4.30 p.m.

★ Lectures:—

Songs of America: Mr. Reuven Avinoam; ZOA House Library: 300-500 pruta; 8.30 p.m.

American Music of Our Times: Members of the I.P.O. 900 pruta — IL.1.875: ZOA House Auditorium: 8.30 p.m.

★ Entertainments:—

After the show at "Leviathan," Oriental Restaurant, 8 Allenby Rd., open till 3 a.m.

★ Theatre:—

"Pygmalion," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi, 8.30 p.m.

HAIFA

★ Recorded Concert:—

Carmen—Bizet; Soloists, Orchestra & Chorus of the National French Opera. 8.30 p.m. Gan Ha'em

GOREN ISRAEL

★ Theatre:—

Habimah, "The Crucible," 8.30 p.m.

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★ Theatre:—

Habimah, "The Golem," 8.30 p.m.

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LAW REPORT

THE JERUSALEM POST
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In the Supreme Court sitting as High Court of Justice
Before: Justices Silberg, Goitein, Berenson.

Yechiel Aldema, Applicant, v. L. A. Leibson, Acting District Attorney, Tel Aviv, 2. The Minister of Education, 3. Judge M. Kennet, Relieving President of the Tel Aviv District Court, Respondents. (H.C. 138/54.)

EVIDENCE NOT SHOWN TO ACCUSED

The High Court dismissed an application for an order nisi against the Tel Aviv Acting District Attorney, the Minister of Education and Judge Kennet.

The applicant, Mr. Y. Aldema, a teacher and professional psychologist, was appointed principal of a school in Migdal Ashkelon by the Ministry of Education in May 1950. After terminating his appointment in 1952, the Ministry appointed an Enquiry Commission to investigate certain criminal charges which had been levelled against him. In the course of the investigation testimony was taken from various witnesses at whose examination the accused was neither present nor represented by Counsel.

As a result of the Commissions' investigation, the matter was referred to the Tel Aviv District Attorney who filed against the applicant charges on various counts of stealing by agency, of fraud and breach of trust, of abuse of office, of forgery, uttering and obtaining goods by false pretences.

Before the preliminary enquiry took place, Mr. Aldema's Counsel applied to the Jerusalem Education Department for permission to examine the records of the Enquiry Commission. He was informed that all the records had been handed over to the Tel Aviv District Attorney. After representations to the District Attorney were turned down, application was made to Judge Kennet before whom the accused was due to appear. The latter, after seeking the advice of the District Attorney, decided against allowing the accused's advocate to examine the files.

Defence Denied Access

The accused was indicated consequent to the preliminary examination and was ordered to appear before the Tel Aviv District Court on September 16, 1954. The files were still not made available to his Counsel.

On September 15, Mr. A. Meltzer, who appeared on behalf of the applicant, appealed to the High Court of Justice for an order nisi calling on the three respondents to show cause why the applicant or his Counsel should not be allowed to examine the files of the Enquiry Commission set up by the Ministry of Education and asked also for an interim injunction ordering a stay of proceedings in the District Court, due to take place on the morrow, until a final decision was delivered by the High Court, in the event of its granting the order nisi.

Mr. Meltzer pleaded that the refusal to give his client access to the files prevented him from getting a fair and just trial, since material was available to the prosecution which was not available to the defence. He felt that the file contained valuable information which was likely to be of great assistance in the preparation of his client's defence, in the cross-examining of the witnesses and in the general conduct of the case for the accused; and the fact that the accused was being discriminated against in favour of the prosecution was an act of injustice.

Mr. Meltzer based his arguments on H.C.147/50 in which the High Court had declared that an accused should be allowed to examine the police files after the preliminary examination.

Decision

The High Court refused to grant the order nisi on the grounds that the applicant's Counsel had produced no precedents according to which the police (or the District Attorney) were bound to allow the accused to examine the files of an Enquiry Commission appointed by a Government Office which had, itself, handed over those files to the police. The Court pointed out that the precedent laid down in H.C.147/50 referred to evidence taken by the police themselves and had therefore no significance in the present case.

The applications for an order nisi and an interim injunction were dismissed.

Decision given on September 15, 1954.

For the Applicant: Mr. A. Meltzer.

British Council Gives Five Scholarships

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The British Council has awarded five postgraduate scholarships to Israelis for the forthcoming academic year, it has been announced.

Recipients are: Mr. Isaiah Shavitt, of the Technion, who is to read physical chemistry at Cambridge; Mr. Nissan Leviatan of the Tel Aviv School of Social Science, who will do research in Economics at Oxford; Mr. Adam Ben Tuvia of the Department of Fisheries, who will do fishery research at Lowestoft and the British Museum. Mr. Amotz Zahavi, who will study the behaviour of birds, at Oxford, and Mr. Dan Ya'alon, of the Hebrew University, who is studying soil chemistry and plant nutrition at Rothamstead.

RETURN. — President Celal Bayar of Turkey arrived in Ankara on Friday, returning from his visit to Yugoslavia, Ankara Radio reported.

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Religious Services

JERUSALEM

St. Paul's Church (Musrara Qr.): E.S., 7 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Canon H.R.S. Jones. H.C., 8 p.m.

St Andrew's Church (Scots Memorial) M. S. 10 a.m. Vesper service united with Y.M.C.A. at 6.30 p.m.

Zion Christian Mission (Prophets St., near Rav Kook St.): Rev Nils Folke, Sunday, Combined Service at Y.M.C.A. 7.30 p.m.

Combined Evangelical Services (Y.M.C.A. Lecture Hall): 7.30 p.m. All Welcome.

Catholic: 6 a.m. German Hospice Chapel Languages: German, Italian, English, French, 7 a.m. Terra Sancta Chapel, Languages: English, French, German, Italian: St. Pierre de Sion (Ratisbonne). Languages: French, Arabic, English, German, Hungarian, Hebrew, Portuguese; 8 a.m. Jesuits Chapel (near King David Hotel), Languages: French, Polish, English, Italian, German; 9 a.m. Pierre de Sion. 10 a.m. Terra Sancta College.

Notre Dame de France (St. Paul's St.): M.S. 8 a.m. Languages: French, English, German, Italian.

American Gospel Church (Prophets St. near Bikur Holim): Morning Worship, 11 a.m., Mid-week Prayers: Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. Minister M.G. Griebenow.

Bible Evangelical Mission (Pentecostal), Hovevei Zion St., first house: Sunday, 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Wednesday & Friday, 7.30 p.m. Saturday 11 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. (Rev. J.W. Foster).

Y.M.C.A. Christian Fellowship Vesper Service. 6.30 p.m. All welcome.

Brethren (Y.M.C.A., Room 130): Breaking of Bread, 5 p.m.

Church of the Nazarene (St. Julian's Way): E.S. 7.30 p.m.

Hebrew Evangelization Society (Musrara 89/13) 7.30 p.m. Service in English, German and Hebrew Thursday: 7.30 p.m. English, German.

Jerusalem Baptist Congregation (Opp. Gan Rehavia). Wednesday: Bible reading & Prayer, 8 p.m. Friday: E.S. 6 p.m. Saturday: Bible Study 10 p.m.

Seventh Day Adventists (Rehov Abraham Lincoln near Y.M.C.A.): 9.30 a.m. Sabbath School; 10.45 a.m. Preaching & Worship; 4 p.m. Bible class.

Jehovah's Witnesses: Bible Study 7.30 p.m. 16/4 Moria St., Baka'a: Tuesday: 6.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV & JAFFA

Anglican Church (Episcopal) in the Church of the former German Colony (co. 19 Eilat St.): H.C., 7 a.m. M.P. 10 a.m. E.S. 7 p.m. Preacher Rev. S.E. Adeney. P.O.B. 2773.

Church of Scotland (St. Peter's) Jaffa M.S. 10 a.m., E.S. 7 p.m.

St. Peter's Church (Catholic), Jaffa Port: 7 a.m. Weekdays 6 p.m. Languages: French, Italian, Spanish.

French Hospital 8 a.m. Weekdays: 6 a.m.

St. Anthony's Church (Street 4): 8 & 10 a.m. 6 p.m. Weekdays 7 a.m. Languages: Arabic, English, French, Italian.

HAIFA

St. Luke's Church: Mountain St. near Vine St. (Anglican Protestant; Episcopal): H.C. 7.30 a.m.; M.S 10 a.m. E.S. 6.30 (P.O.B. 1787).

Scandinavian Seamen's Church Meir St. 41 (P.O.B. 1308, Rev. Per Faye Hansen) Evang. Luth. Service. 7.30 p.m. Scandinavian & German, Tuesday: Bible Study. 8 p.m.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 497 M.; HAIFA: 349 M.; TEL AVIV: 30.5, 48.9 & 383 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

News: Hebrew, 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.00 8.15, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 6 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m. Turkish: 11.30 a.m.

6.00 a.m. Morning Programme (Haifa only). 6.30 Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 8.30 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.20 Message to Immigrants. 1.50 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Vocal Recital: Israel Weinberg. 5.00 Talmud Lesson. 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Kol Yisrael Orchestra: Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger, Soloist: Lenia Broker, Violin Concerto (Bruch). 7.30 Talk. 7.45 What's New in Science. 8.00 "Wells of Work." 8.35 Bible Reading. 8.45 Israel Philharmonic Orchestra: Symphonic Prologue (Jacobi), Conductor: Walter Suesskind; Divertimento No.15 (Mozart), Conductor: Serge Koussevitzky. 9.30 Milestones. 10.00 Vocal Recital: Chela Halevi. 10.30 "Ron Bar" (R). 11.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
468, 235, 218, 48.8 M.

English: News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (33.3, 34.9 & 468 M.): French: 7.30 p.m. Ladino: 8.00 p.m. Yiddish: 8.45 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 Personal Column. 11.30 Visit to the Children's Village at Meyer Shefeya. 12.00 Talmud Lesson.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 218, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 Galei Zahal Programme. Light Music. 7.30 Sport. 7.45 Requests. 8.30 News. 8.40 Light Music. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (24.80; 25.38; 30.53; 30.80 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News. Reading from "Government and Parliament." Contact Programme. International Commentary.

VOICE OF AMERICA English Broadcasts: (16.8, 19.8, 24.4 M.): 5.00-5.30 p.m. Repeated at 8.00-8.30 p.m. on 25.4 & 31.2 M.

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Coventry Accepts Russian Offer

LONDON, Saturday. — Coventry, much bombed car-manufacturing city in Britain's Midlands came into the news early this year when its Labour-dominated Council tried to cancel its Civil Defence programme on the grounds that the hydrogen-bomb had rendered Civil Defence useless. Now the Lord Mayor has accepted an invitation from the Stalingrad City Soviet to send a delegation to Russia to draw up plans for a joint approach to the U.N. Disarmament Commission, on behalf of the people of war-damaged cities, seeking to get atomic and hydrogen bombs banned.

The initiative for the venture comes in fact from Coventry. The Lord Mayor suggested a joint meeting in a letter to Stalingrad last June. The two cities have kept in comparatively close touch since their formal friendship, formed early in the war chiefly through an organization in both cities called the Coventry and Stalingrad Bond of Friendship Committee.

In his letter, written on June 19, the Mayor asked if Stalingrad would like to follow Coventry's example in seeking to abandon all pretence of Civil Defence. Stalingrad's council did not say it would, but suggested instead this joint approach through the U.N.

Perhaps municipal leaders in Russia are not so free to kick over the traces with national policy as they are in Britain. *(OFNS)*

Bowling Honour For UK Envoy and Wife

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The British Ambassador and Lady Evans were both made honorary members of the Ramat Gan Bowling Club yesterday afternoon, at a ceremony at which Sir Francis presented the club with the "Lady Evans Cup" to be awarded annually to the ladies' bowling champion.

Sir Francis and Lady Evans were presented with membership pins by Mrs. Max Spitz, head of the Ladies' Section of the Club. Sir Francis formally dedicated the Club at its opening a year ago.

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Shnaper Smashes Three

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Reuven Shnaper, Givat Haim's 18 year oldster, set three new Israel records in one swim. He covered the 1,500 metres in 21 minutes 48.6 seconds today, at the national Hapoel swimming championship in Nahariya clipping nearly a minute off the former record of 22:47.3 set by Vago, of Haifa, in 1937.

During this effort, Shnaper swam 800m. in 11:30.2, to beat the former record of Trauber of 11:48.8 and 1,000 metres in 14:31.4 shattering another record held by Vago since 1937 of 15:01.0.

Shoshana Ribner, of Maccabi, set a new girls' record for the 100m. back-stroke of 1:35.6, and Nahum Buch, of Maccabi, repeated his feat of two weeks ago when he swam the 100m. freestyle time of 1 minute 0.2.7 seconds in the Petah Tikva pool. Then he broke the former record held by Tinshement, since 1937, but this time it was official. On the former occasion the Sports Federation refused to recognize the record since it was not notified 10 days in advance of the tournament, as the rules require.

T.A. Maccabi Recalled

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Israel Amateur Sports Federation on Thursday sent a cable to the Tel Aviv Maccabi soccer club, via the Israel Embassy in Paris, to return to Israel. The federation charges that Maccabi were not living up to their agreement to send home copies of their contracts with European clubs against whom they played. No reply to the cable was received by this evening.

T.A. Betar's Surprise Win Over T.A. Hapoel

A surprise win by Tel Aviv Betar over Tel Aviv Hapoel by 2:1 highlighted yesterday's friendly games. Hapoel led 1:0 at half time. Football games in the Third League and Youth League started today. Fifty-four games were scheduled to be played.

RESULTS: Friendlies: Herzlia Hap. 14, Ramatayim Macc. 0; Jerusalem Betar 1, Rehovot Macc. 1; Natanya Macc. 1, Kfar Saba Hap. 4; Ramat Gan Hap 5, Jerusalem Hap. 2; Zichron Ya'acov Macc. 1, Haifa Orthodox 0; Haifa Hap. 2, Tel Aviv Hakoah 1; Christian Brotherhood 2, Haifa Mac. Reserves 1; Tel Hanan Hap. 4, Haifa Betar 1.

YOUTH LEAGUE: Haifa Mac. 5, Haifa Hap. Hakoveh 0.

TRADE UNION LEAGUE: Haifa Port Services 1, F & C 1; Hayama 2, Kaiser Fraser 0; Phoenicia 2, Ehad 1.

LEAGUE C: Kiryat Haim Hap. 5, Haifa Degel Yehuda 1.

WATER POLO LEAGUE: Haifa Mac. 12, Haifa Hap. 2.

VOLLEY BALL: Ehed 2, Solel Boneh 0; Ehed 2, Haifa Post Office 0.

BASKETBALLERS PICKED

Twelve basketball players, who are to leave for the international basketball tournament in Brazil in October were picked yesterday. They are to go to Jerusalem on Monday for a week's training, during which they will play the Jerusalem Maccabi and Hapoel teams. The players are Shneour, Ofri, Vinner, Klein, Tauil (Maccabi), Shelach, Hefetz, Pecher, Cohen, Luboshitz, Eres, Ahiel (Hapoel).

TURKISH TEAM ARRIVES

The Turkish soccer team, Besiktasi of Istanbul, arrived by El Al from Turkey yesterday to play three games. Tomorrow they are to meet Petah Tikva Selected on the Ramat Gan Stadium pitch.

Besiktasi, who have been Turkey's football champions for the last several years, arrived with 16 players, which included several of the Turkish National team. They will play a Hapoel selected team on Wednesday and their last game next Saturday.

Indians and Giants Nearer Series

NEW YORK, Saturday (UP). — The Cleveland Indians clinched at least a tie for the American League pennant last night by downing the Detroit Tigers, 6-3, on a grand slam home run by Bobby Avila.

The second-place New York Yankees, meanwhile, fought off their elimination for another day as they turned back the Philadelphia Athletics, 10-3, behind Southpaw Tommy Byrne.

Last night's results left the Yankees eight games behind the Indians with eight games left on each team's schedule. Thus, a Cleveland victory or New York defeat tomorrow will sew up a World Series berth for the Indians.

In National League action, the New York Giants suffered a 4-3 defeat at the hands of the Philadelphia Phillies but maintained their 4½ game margin as the Pittsburgh Pirates whipped the second-place Brooklyn Dodgers, 9-1. The Giants' magic number now stands at four.

Robin Roberts outpitched Johnny Antonelli in leading the Phillies to victory over the Giants. Roberts allowed seven hits in registering his 21st victory of the year.

CABLE. — Nicholas Levitsky, 23, who spent more than a year sailing back and forth across the Atlantic because no country would admit him, has reached sanctuary in the Dominican Republic. He has been given a job as a hotel secretary at $100 a month.

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'Rocky' KO's Charles In Eighth Round

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter). — With blood streaming from a split nose and cut eyebrow, Rocky Marciano knocked out Ezzard Charles in the 8th round of the world heavyweight championship bout here last night to retain the title he won two years ago.

The twice postponed contest ended after two minutes, 36 seconds of the 8th round. It was a fierce battle that stirred spectators at the Yankee Stadium.

Charles, the better boxer, ultimately found the champion, who hit with sledge-hammer force, too strong, too oblivious to punishment and too tigerish a warrior.

Marciano left no possible doubt this time about his superiority over Charles, who had held him to a points decision after 15 fierce rounds three months ago. Charles, world champion in 1950 and 1951, was making his third attempt to become the first heavyweight to regain the crown.

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Paragraphs 3, 84, 85, 86, 70a of the Ordinance are void

In addition, the schedule of rates for the following items has been revised:

(1) Agreements or memorandum
(2) Assessments and Estimates
(5) Arbitration
(6) Bill of Exchange
(7) Bill of Lading
(8) Governmental documents
(9) Charter of a vessel (repealed; now figured acc. to par.1)
(14) Certified copies or extracts.
(18) Duplicates or reproductions
(22) Contracts or sub-contracts
(25) Import and export manifests
(26) Negotiable securities
(27) Mortgage or guarantee note
(28) Notarized documents
(29) Maritime insurance policy
(30) Life insurance policy
(31) Accident insurance policy
(33) Power of Attorney
(34) Receipt.

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STANDARD-TEXT holiday greeting telegrams may be sent to all parts of the country serviced by the telegraph system, beginning tomorrow. The telegrams at 200 prutot each are available in a variety of texts.

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THE SOLDIERS' Welfare Committee announced yesterday that Bit'cha, a Yemenite immigrants' new border settlement, had donated IL.84 for the Soldiers' Holiday Gift Fund... Jaffa dock workers have donated IL.470 and have expressed their wish to adopt a Nahal unit, inviting members of the unit to their homes for the High Holidays.

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THE SECURITIES referred to in Friday's *Jerusalem Post* with which payment for certain taxes may now be made, are the Israel Government Securities 1953/57 which were given in exchange for British bonds, according to the British Securities Act passed by the Knesset in 1953.

Eshed Opposed To 'Competitive' Lines

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Saturday.— Eshed does not believe that a competitive transport service, not even the railways, is in the public interest, but the cooperative was prepared to consider foreign investment as well as the acceptance of new members, a company spokesman told the press here yesterday when he replied to charges made by the Khayat brothers and published in the press last Tuesday.

The bus concession held by the brothers during the Mandate was limited to a line from the town to the Khayat beach and to the British Army workshop, without a right to pick up passengers at intermediate stops. In 1936, the franchise was extended to a line from Hadar Hacarmel to the same destinations on Saturdays, when Shahar did not operate, and then only during the bathing season.

Only in 1946 was the line permitted to run all through the year to transport workers to and from the British installations.

Since 1950, the concession was exercised by Eshed with the consent of the new owners of the bathing beach. The Arab owners left, and the British workshop along the line ceased to exist in 1948. Eshed denied, therefore, that the Khayat brothers still have any rights to their former concession. Nevertheless, Eshed had agreed to arbitration in July 1950, but after four meetings, the last in October 1951, the Khayat brothers "by-passed the proceedings" and turned to the Government instead. Since then, neither side had thought of renewing the negotiations.

The dozen buses which the Khayats were reserving "for pressure and propaganda purposes and to exact compensation" were of 1934 vintage and were no longer suitable for proper service, the spokesman said.

Eshed had established its right by "blood, tears and sweat," and by giving devoted service. Among its 1,900 workers there were 1,000 ex-servicemen, and it objected to competition, the spokesman continued.

LEHMAN JOINS ESHED MANAGEMENT BOARD

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Mr. Zvi Lehman, formerly Price Controller, was nominated on Thursday by the Board of Directors of Hevrat Ovdim to be one of the two Histadrut representatives on the Board of Management of the Eshed bus cooperative. The name of the second member has not yet been announced. The Histadrut will also be represented by six members on the Council of the bus cooperative.

PEC Investment Offers 50,000 'Popular' Shares

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A new issue of 50,000 "B" Ordinary Shares at IL.10 each is offered by the P.E.C. Investment Corp. Ltd. Ltd. This was announced on Thursday by Dr. Heinz Gruenbaum(Executive Vice-President of the Palestine Economic Corp., in his capacity as Chairman of the Investment Corporation.

The new shares, for the first time, will offer the public an opportunity of investing in some of the country's oldest, as well as in new and most promising, enterprises, Dr. Gruenbaum said.

MINISTRY PROBES PLAINT AGAINST MAYOR

The Ministry of the Interior is investigating various complaints lodged against Mr. Ariav, the Mayor of Beisan.

The inquiry is not connected with charges levelled against Mr. Ariav 10 days ago by Shurat Hamitnadvim, a civic organization, which alleged that he was guilty of financial irregularities.

7 Oil Drills by Year's End—Joseph

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — An optimistic account of Israel's mineral resources and the possibilities of their utilization was given by Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of Development, at a press conference here yesterday. By the end of this year, seven oil drills would be in operation, four of them in the Negev, where the Lapidot-Israel Oil Prospectors group is already at work.

The Be'eri rig is down to 15,000 feet and now working through "interesting strata" after passing those which were always known to be non-productive. "They're working two 12-hour shifts, 30 days a month. That's the way they do it in America," he said. The Israel-Continental Company will begin drilling in Zichron Ya'acov on Tuesday; the Pan-Israel Company is due to start in the South in two or three weeks, and the Huskey Oil Company will commence working at a site in the Negev in about six weeks' time.

What worried Dr. Joseph more than anything else was the "emptiness of the Negev mentioned by my friend, Mr. Ben Gurion, at another place yesterday." Water and development in that area would attract more settlers. Some of the offices of the Dead Sea Works have already been moved from Jerusalem to Beersheba, as well as the offices of the Harsit Company. As many employees of the phosphate work as possible would be moved from Tel Aviv to Oranim, the mining area in the northern Negev, and new settlements would be established in four or five places in the central and southern Negev.

(Mr. Ben Gurion had told the Mapai Central Committee on Thursday night that he thought as many men as possible "engaged on planning the development of the Negev" should be moved out of the towns and down to the Negev itself).

Dr. Joseph regretted that a start had not yet been made on the construction of houses at Dimona (Kurnuh). The climate there, at a height of 550 metres above sea level, was perfect, he emphasized, and complained that a newspaper had started a campaign against the construction of the New Negev town.

The Dead Sea Works were going well, the Minister reported, and standby time because of mechanical breakdowns was only 12 per cent in August (as against a normal 8 per cent in the U.S.). A second pumping station had been added to the plant; a new "flotation" system was in use for obtaining carnellite, and the salt pan area had been increased from six square kilometres to nine square kilometres with another nine kilometres planned. The carnellite pans are to be increased to five square kilometres.

Weak Spots

The Minister explained the initial breakdowns of the plant as due to the fact that the weak spots, after years of disuse, could only be discovered during the actual work. These had now been repaired, and he was hopeful that work could now proceed without mishap. The evaporation season is from May to September, and in March, the Dead Sea waters would begin to be pumped into the pans for the new season. Until now, the 80,000 ton stockpile of carnellite had been used, and the quality of this had deteriorated with the years. The "bad" batch would be exhausted within the next two months, he stated.

The potash plant has a pan capacity of 150,000 tons, while the capacity of the plant for the processing of the salt is 135,000 tons a year. During June, a quantity was processed equivalent to 100,000-120,000 tons a year, and it was hoped to have the factory at full capacity by 1956. If only 100,000 tons are produced a year, this would represent a two million dollar annual income for the State.

Dr. Joseph was optimistic about the possibilities of producing magnesium from the Dead Sea. A "projection" by an American expert had forecast a 1,800 per cent increase in the world consumption of this light-weight metal within the next few years. The late Prof. Farkas had discovered a new way of producing magnesium and carnelite jointly, with an output 60 per cent larger than by conventional methods. "The only question here is one of electric power," he continued, but the cost of fuel in Dead Sea power stations would be only 10 per cent higher than in the U.S.

Good Phosphates Progress

On phosphates, the Minister reported good progress, following the initial "research period" of 1951-1952. Production during 1952-1953 was 16,500 tons with a phosphorus content of 22 per cent, rising the following year to 32,000 tons with a 25 per cent content. During the first six months of the current financial year, production had amounted to 30,000 tons with enrichment increased to 28.2 per cent. This represents a hard currency saving of some $500,000 a year.

Thirty test drillings for iron had been carried out in Galilee, and the experts are satisfied that there is a vein of ore five metres high and four kilometres long. Its breadth is not yet known, but it is known that its lower strata are good, with a 28 per cent iron content. Dr. Joseph announced that Solel Boneh had already expressed its willingness to participate in a furnace for the production of iron from the ore, and last week he had written to the Manufacturers' Association asking if there were local manufacturers or businessmen ready to participate. He hoped that 50,000-60,000 tons of iron would be produced a year.

Good progress had been made in copper mining (Dr. Joseph said that on his desk he had the first experimental ingot made from Negev copper ore) and a large American firm had been asked to plan a smelting plant. Construction work would start at the beginning of next year, when 1,000 tons of ore a day would be mined, to produce 6,000 tons of copper annually. Local copper requirements are 1,000-1,500 tons a year.

A quarter of a million dollar contract has been signed with the USOM for research work, to be carried out by the Longyear firm of consulting engineers, for the production of manganese, Dr. Joseph announced.

7 Resume Squatting Outside Agency In T.A.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The family of Buker Ben Eliahu, including four children aged from one month to 13 years, and a brother, Mr. Ya'acov Ben Eliahu, tonight are again squatting in the street outside the Jewish Agency offices in Rehov Nahlat Binyamin here. This is their third demonstration.

They came here recently from Kfar Yeroham where they settled five months ago soon after arriving from Bombay. They claim that they had no work at Kfar Yeroham except for a few days on road building at Sde Boker; that they were given no money, except for a limited credit at the cooperative grocery; and that water came only for 15 minutes once a day.

They stated tonight that they had been promised improved conditions at Kfar Yeruham and had gone back, only to return here to squat last week since the improvements had not been carried out.

At the end of last week, they were taken to an immigrants home in Petah Tikva where they slept on the floor. They are now demanding the transfer of their bedding and luggage from Kfar Yeruham to Petah Tikva and the return to them of their Te'udot Olei (new immigrants' certificates) without which the Labour Exchange does not want to consider their case.

Teachers Wanted For National Hebrew Drive

Registration for volunteer teachers in the Hebrew Language campaign begins today and will last until Thursday in 2,000 stations throughout the country. These stations include all local departments of the Ministry of Education and Culture, all Government schools post office branches and police stations, Labour Councils and additional points established by local committees.

Legation in Italy Aided Jailed Israel Seamen

The Israel Legation in Italy took immediate steps to secure the release of the two Israel seamen who were imprisoned in Naples, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said yesterday, in a vigorous denial of newspaper reports that the Legation had not taken proper action in this matter.

The Delegation despatched two letters to the Italian Foreign Ministry and negotiated for the speedy release of the two men, Mordecai Leibel and Moshe Shadmi, as soon as they were informed by the Italian authorities that they had been arrested on charges of illegally selling cigarettes in the port and participating in a fist fight, the spokesman added. (The charges were later dropped).

The Israel Vice-Consul visited the men in prison immediately after receiving the notification from the Italian authorities. The whole incident was treated with the closest attention by the Legation, who saw to it that the company employing the sailors provided defence counsel. The Legation protested to the Italian authorities on the delay of the notification.

MRS. BEN-ZVI BUYS PAINTING

The oil painting, "When Days Are Hot," by Shlomo Van den Bergh, was bought yesterday by Mrs. Rahel Ben-Zvi, when she visited the artist's exhibition at the Israel Touring Club in Talbieh, Jerusalem.

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A WOMAN who tried to drown herself off the Tel Aviv beach on Friday morning was saved by passers-by who dragged her from the water. She wanted to end her life because she suffered from tuberculosis, the police reported

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UN Expert 'Amazed' At Productivity Gain

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Professor Hy Fish, U.N. efficiency expert, said here today that he was "amazed and pleased" at the progress made here since his departure 13 months ago. He had previously worked here for a year-and-a-half, laying the foundations for the Productivity Institute. He is now on his way to India as head of an International Labour Office efficiency team.

Professor Fish, who toured the country for a week, told a press conference that management and labour were together actively handling problems of efficiency in their plants, a unique phenomenon, since in most parts of the world, changes were imposed, often against the will of the employees.

Professor Fish stated that Israel was the first of the industrially under-developed countries to introduce efficiency drives and that this country served as a model to others.

Mr. M. Gertzberg, Director of the Productivity Institute, said that, in the past two years, 1,800 persons had been trained by the Institute.

Mid East 'Impresses' Japanese Envoy

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday.— Mr. Kohei Teraoka, Counsellor at the Japanese Foreign Minister in charge of Europe and Middle East Affairs, said here yesterday that he had been greatly impressed by his Middle East tour and would recommend the establishment of a special Middle East Division of the Japanese Foreign Ministry. He left yesterday by Cyprus Airways.

Mr. Teraoka said that the opening of a Japanese Legation in Israel depended mainly on finding the right man as its head. The appointment of the Japanese Ambassador to Turkey to the post in Israel was uncertain as the Ambassador would probably be transferred to another post.

SAFAD'S FIRST IS A BOY

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD, Saturday.—Binyamin Zohara is 36 hours old this evening. He is the first child to be born at Safad's new Rothschild Maternity hospital arriving within a day of its opening. His parents are newcomers from Morocco; the father is a labourer.

The mother, Azuline, received bouquets from the Mayor, Rabbi M. Pedhazur, and from the National Insurance manager here, who also brought her the IL.55 maternity grant. The Municipal Council will decide on a gift to Binyamin, who is named after the Baron Edmund (Binyamin) De Rothschild.

Dr. Z. Mandel, obstetrician of the Rambam Hospital in Haifa, has been appointed Director of the maternity hospital.

Mapam Resolves To Stop Sectionalism

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Saturday. — Mapam's two-day national conference ended this evening with the adoption of a new set of organisation rules designed to secure the Party against "sectionalism." New Party organs were elected — a 160-man Central Committee, forming the nucleus of the 300-man Council; a Central Control Committee, to check on Party discipline; a Party Supreme Court; and a 60-man Political Committee.

"The conference dealt only with the secession of Le'Ahdut Ha'Avodah and with the adoption of new Party rules," Mr. M. Ya'ari, M.K., Secretary General of Mapam said." I have no doubt that now we shall be really united and capable of facing the task before us."

In his opening address yesterday, Mr. Ya'ari sharply attacked the secessionists, who, he stated, had aimed at isolating Hashomer Hatzair and at building their party at the price of Mapam's break-up, but had failed conspicuously. "Let us put an end to all divisions of the Party political, communal and racial," he urged.

'DECADES, NOT CENTURIES'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"You are doing in decades what we Canadians do over centuries," Mr. J. Alex Edmison, Q.C., Assistant to the Principal of Queens University, Ontario, declared in Jerusalem on Friday after his first brief glimpse of Israel as a guest of the Hebrew University. He expressed gratification at the speed with which the new Hebrew University campus is being built, especially as Canada Hall, a science faculty auditorium, will be the first to be finished, in about three months.

Mr. Edmison is a director of the American Prison Association, with a long record of writing and public speaking on penal reform, crime prevention, and helping discharged prisoners. Flying to Israel from a tour of British and Belgian penal institutions as member of a Canadian Commission, Mr. Edmison plans to learn something from experimental work in prisons here.

During and after World War II, he was senior U.N. Relief and Rehabilitation officer to Allied Headquarters in Germany, responsible for creating an organization to look after concentration camp survivors and displaced persons. "Many of the victims in our care wanted to go to Israel: I hope to find out what happened to those who escaped the death camps and succeeded in getting here," he said in an interview with *The Jerusalem Post*.

A non-Jewish honorary member of B'nai B'rith, Mr. Edmison has already been booked to lecture to B'nai B'rith lodges on his concentrated impressions of this country.

"General Burns is the best envoy Canada could send here," said Mr. Edmison, an old friend of the Truce Supervision Organization Chief of Staff, who shares his deep interest in U.N. activities. "I'm proud that the General was chosen for this difficult job. He is unlike most professional soldiers in being a student of international affairs, with a wide reading in political fields. You could place him in a University department without much trouble!"

MYERSON CALLS FOR UNITED LABOUR FRONT

RAMAT GAN, Saturday. — Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour, called for a united workers' movement during a speech at a Mapai sponsored meeting at the Ordea cinema here this morning. Her survey of the history of the Israel Labour movement, was enthusiastically received by the 1,000 persons present.

ALEXANDER SCHECHORI

RAMAT GAN, Saturday. — The death occurred at the Beilinson hospital yesterday of Mr. Alexander Shechori, at the age of 51. Mr. Shechori, who leaves a wife, son and daughter, was a veteran teacher and lately supervisor of trade schools.

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Women Pickets Fight Farmer

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NESS ZIONA, Saturday. — Mr. Yosef Levi, owner of groundnut fields at Beit Hanan, near here, came to blows yesterday with five women pickets from the local Labour Exchange.

The Exchange reported that Mr. Levi was employing non-union women workers and 14 year-old girls, to pick groundnuts. When a delegation from the Labour Exchange discussed the matter with him, he agreed to replace them by five union workers. However, as soon as the delegation left, he dismissed the new workers and re-engaged the non-union help who had hidden in a nearby orange grove. The delegation of women returned and came to blows with Mr. Levi during the argument.

Jailed 3 Years After Jordan Imprisonment

TEL AVIV, Saturday.— Rafael Tzeiri, who was returned a short while ago from Jordan where he had spent three months in prison, was sentenced in the District Court here yesterday to three years for two thefts which he had committed in Petah Tikva last February.

On hearing the sentence, Tzeiri, 38, of Kfar Saba, cursed the State, and his wife and mother, who were in court, joined with him. Tzeiri pleaded during the trial that he had committed the thefts because he had had to obtain money for medical treatment for his wife and daughter. He then crossed the lines into Jordan "hoping to be shot to death," he said. The Jordan authorities imprisoned him for three months after he had been caught in Jordan territory.

Tzeiri has had former convictions. Relieving President of the District Court M. Kennet heard the case. *(Itim)*

DUTCH LEGATION THEFT REMAND EXTENDED

The preliminary investigation of Zion Yehudai, 18, Avraham Handlarsky, 27, and David Finger, 18, suspects in the theft of gold from the Netherlands Legation in Kiryat Shmuel, Jerusalem, on August 22, began on Friday before Magistrate J. Weiner.

The Magistrate turned down a request for bail, and ordered their remand in custody for a further ten days. Prosecution witnesses will be heard on September 26. *(Itim)*

Cables in Brief

TRAITOROUS. — Dora Mengel, secretary of a former Berlin Socialist city councillor has been arrested on suspicion of working for a traitorous intelligence agency and disclosing confidential information, West Berlin officials said yesterday.

PRIVILEGE. — Prisoners with suitable records may be released on parole to attend the funerals of relatives in future, the British Home Office announced on Friday.

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Rome Radar Tracks Mysterious 'Cigar'

ROME, Saturday (Reuter). — An Italian radar station tracked for 20 minutes last night a big cigar-shaped object seen by thousands of Romans, the air force announced here today. It said the station at Pratica di Mare, 65 kms. south west of Rome, picked up the object as it flew at 1,000 metres along a stretch of coast west of the capital. It flew slowly then at great speed and disappeared.

The air force added that the object was shaped like a cigar cut in half, with a big antenna amidships. A trail of smoke poured from the pointed rear.

'Israel Owes IL.750m.'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HOLON, Saturday. — Israel's foreign debts amount to IL.750m. at IL.1.800 per dollar, Mr. I. Gury, Chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee told a vocal newspaper here last night.

He reported that in the past two years 250 settlements were connected to telephone networks and that 300 other settlements would be linked up in the next two years.

Mr. A. Frenkel, of the Ministry of Communications, declared that our transport services were not inferior to those in Europe. The Ministry recommended the abolition of the double terminal on bus lines to improve the turn-round rate, he said.

THE AMERICAN FUND for ISRAEL INSTITUTIONS Edward A. Norman Scholarships

The American Fund for Israel Institutions announces the granting of three scholarships for the year 1954-55: Two in the field of music (one for composition and one for musical instrument) and one in the field of art—painting and sculpture.

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Piccioni Quits In Montesi Aftermath

ROME, Saturday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Scelba today accepted the resignation of Signor Piccioni. Mr. Gaetano Martino, a Liberal became the new Foreign Minister tonight.

Piccioni

In a talk with the Premier, it was understood that Signor Piccioni had confirmed his decision to leave the Foreign Ministry in order to be able, as a private citizen, to defend his son Piero, who has been prominently named in the Wilma Montesi drug orgy scandal.

Opposition newspapers have long been demanding his resignation and that of Prime Minister Scelba as a result of developments in the Montesi case, which has been threatening dramatic political repercussions over the past year.

The younger Piccioni was one of four leading personages whose passports were seized by the police eight days ago on instructions from Dr. Raffaele Sepe, the Magistrate investigating the case.

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SERVICE TO S'DOM
On account of the holidays the schedule for this line between September 26 and October 9, 1954 has been revised and buses will run from and to S'dom on the following days: Sunday, September 26; Thursday, September 30 and Monday, October 4, 1954.
SERVICE TO EILAT
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THE decision of the Central Committee of Mapai to adopt Mr. Ben Gurion's suggestion for the substitution of the present proportional voting system by regional elections to the Knesset is certainly a step forward in the direction of the elimination of the excessive fractionalization which has marred Israel's parliamentary system up till now. Stable government has been an unattainable prize since under proportional representation no party has been able to command sufficient seats in the House to be able to form a government without seeking partners in a coalition.

ELECTORAL REFORM

The result has been that small parties have achieved a measure of political power out of all proportion to their importance in the country and have been able to make demands upon the majority partner in any coalition which they entered. When the Mapai and General Zionists formed a coalition there may have been a wider representation of the electors of the country, but there was certainly not a wider expression of the will of the people in government. Both sides had to make such far-reaching compromises that the broad elements of the policy for which their supporters voted were almost blurred out of existence. All that was gained was that each accused the other of exercising undue pressure in certain directions, while each claimed credit for having initiated, by the same sort of pressure, the measures which might be considered constructive.

The advantage of a two-party system with a clearly defined opposition, as Mr. Ben Gurion pointed out in his speech, which marked his return to the political arena, is that the party in power is clearly responsible for what it does and the party in opposition has to make clear its alternative programme in seeking office. In other words one gets not only representative government but also responsible government. At present there is too much representation and too little responsibility.

It is not altogether clear, however, how the system now adopted as a plank of Mapai policy is going to eliminate excessive fractionalization to the extent desired by Mr. Ben Gurion. It may sound the death knell of the very small parties but we are likely to be left with four groups at least, the Mapai, the General Zionists, a moderate religious bloc and possibly some sort of Left combination. Regional constituencies will have the advantage of giving important minority groups like the Arabs in Galilee a direct representation they might have lost under a percentage clause. It might also create a closer link between voter and Knesset member than at present.

But with a House seating 120 members there will be still sufficient places in each region to allow, as has been stated above, the continuation of some fractionalization, even though in a lesser degree. Perhaps this problem could be solved by increasing the number of zones and decreasing the number of seats in the Knesset. The present number of 120 was fixed upon, apart from objective considerations, because it was the size of the famous *Knesset Hagedola*, the Great Assembly, which governed the Jewish people after the return from the Babylonian Exile. If the number were to be reduced to seventy, there would still be a fine historical tradition upon which to rely, as this was the number of the Great Sanhedrin which had an equally, if not more glorious history.

Whatever system is adopted, the Mapai are to be congratulated in tackling the matter fundamentally in a manner which conforms more to accepted democratic practice in the Western world than the unpopular percentage clauses which appear to have been dropped altogether.

The repercussions of the new proposal on the future of the present coalition will be awaited with interest. If it leads to a competition in presenting carefully elaborated schemes for more fruitful democratic representation so much the better.

Immense Task Faces China

By Clement Attlee

Mr. Attlee, Mrs. Summerskill, and China's new generation.

SYDNEY. — INSTEAD of going by plane, we travelled from Shanghai to Hangchow by rail. I was glad to have this opportunity of seeing something of the countryside. The part of the country through which we travelled seemed very fertile and was very fully cultivated. In England and in most countries, one sees odd patches of land neglected, but here in China no piece of ground is wasted.

This intensive garden cultivation is everywhere. It seems most unlikely that much additional production could be possible. The villages seemed to be pleasant places with fairly large houses, well spaced and in good repair. Rivers abounded with considerable boat traffic, especially in timber. One got a fair view of country folk busy in the fields.

Our destination, Hangchow, was a big city of over 600,000 people. It is an ancient city and far less touched by the West than Peking or Mukden. The streets are fairly narrow and the first storeys of the houses project into the street. We were informed that there were over 17,000 retail businesses — one shop to every forty inhabitants. It is difficult to see how they all make a living or where the customers are to come from. There are quite a number of factories in the town, especially in the silk and jute industries, but the pride of the city is its lake. This accounts for the heavy influx of visitors in the season, for it is a notable beauty spot and a very popular holiday resort.

The lake is surrounded on three sides by low wooded hills, and is very beautiful. Some of the hills are crowned by ancient temples, a number of which also stand along the shore. It was a pleasant relief to go on the lake after our long train journey, during the course of which the temperature in our compartments seldom went below 32 degrees Centigrade.

Modern Sanatoria

We stayed a day in a pleasant guest house, mainly in order to get some rest after our fairly strenuous labours. We saw a number of modern sanatoria in the environs of the lake and were rowed out to visit sundry temples. One of the largest and most famous was being repaired by the Government, which is careful of its historic monuments. Others were still in active use, with a Buddhist monk in attendance and joss sticks being burned before the shrine of Buddha.

Although it was out of season, there were a good many family parties holiday-making, and groups of students whose academic term was about to begin. Altogether, this place left a very pleasant impression of peace and beauty with glimpses of a Chinese landscape such as one sees in paintings.

From Hangchow we flew to Canton. Because of the activity of Chiang Kai-shek's Air Force, we did not go by the short coast route, but made a wide detour. In the course of this flight we crossed another great flooded area, due, I gathered, to the overflow of a lake. One of my colleagues checked the time we took to cross. It took a full hour, which means that the floods extended for 350 kilometres. Here and there were islands with the houses out of the water, but looking down from the plane one could see under what looked like a lake the outlines of the submerged fields and roads. This was the third big flooded area which we have seen. Hundreds of thousands of people must be involved, yet this is not considered one of the serious flood years.

Later, we passed over very broken and hilly country with the hillsides terraced with amazing labour. We have now travelled over considerable areas and yet have left so much of China unvisited. The more one travels the more one is impressed by the immense task facing any government and the more respect one has for the efforts which the present regime is making.

Canton has many distinctive features. The houses are generally speaking more lofty than those in Peking and the streets are arcaded. The upper stories supported on big square pillars jutting out over the sidewalks thus providing welcome shade. It recalled to me the arcaded streets of Bologna. Then there is more greenery in Canton than any other city save Peking. There are tall trees in the streets and well-laid-out parks.

But of course the most particular feature of Canton is the river population. More than 56,000 people live in boats. The Mayor took me up the river in a launch to see them. Some of the boats look like very old and battered Oxford college barges, others are quite small sampans, but there was an infinite variety as if numbers of people had been trying to build an imitation of Noah's Ark. Most of them seemed to be inhabited by families, some were stationary, others were being propelled by various members of the family.

Sometimes a small boy and an old granny were tugging at the same sweep, sometimes a small girl seemed to be in charge. Everywhere there were babies. Women here seemed to do a great deal of the hard work, indeed, it is said that the women of the Kwantung province work harder than the men. Many of them carried their babies slung behind their backs, and not infrequently small girls were seen with a large baby carried apparently without undue strain on their backs. Among the river craft are restaurants and shops and a municipal fire service. It is in fact a complete town on the water while on the shore are government offices which cater for the needs of this communist community.

I asked what was the effect on the river of the discharge of sewage from this great collection of floating homes and whether it was not very unsanitary, but apparently there were no marked ill effects. This surprised me, because the population of the boats drew their water for drinking and all other purposes direct from the river. I was told that they took plenty of chloride of lime with it, and I am sure it was needed.

While we were on the river, there came a very heavy tropical shower which cleared the air a bit, and not before it was needed, for the weather had been very oppressive.

Canton is celebrated for the great reformer Sun Yat Sen. There is a fine park, a tall column and a great concert hall to his memory. As the man who overthrew the Manchu regime and originated the Kuomintang in the days when it stood for reform, he is a point of unity for all Chinese. His statue, dressed rather incongruously in a frock coat, stands in front of the memorial hall.

Buddhist Monks

In contrast to this modernity, I visited an old Buddhist temple with a fine pagoda. Joss sticks were burning in front of images, and seated in the attitude of the Buddha on a pedestal was a young monk wrapped in meditation.

A long train journey in very pretty country to the boundary of the colony of Hong Kong brought to an end this memorable visit. We parted with regret from friends who had helped us so kindly, especially our interpreters.

I understand that during our absence there has been considerable criticism of our visit, not only in America, where recognition of a country is apparently considered to be tantamount to approving a regime, but in Britain. As far as I am concerned, I am quite unrepentant. I think that the visit was well-timed and is likely to improve relations between our peoples and to help towards world peace. It was, I think, a useful follow-up after Geneva. I have found that the people who know China well and have had long experience of the Far East agree with this view.

I hope that the relaxation of tension which we observed during our visit will continue and that intercourse between the Chinese and Western peoples will expand.

This is the last of seven articles.

MUSICAL DIARY

KOL Yisrael's latest Tuesday night concert, under the baton of Karel Salomon, featured an attractive programme of predominantly Romantic music. Sven Erik Tarp's slightly jazzy Comedy Overture made a pleasant curtain-raiser. It was followed by "Elegy for Strings, the orchestral transcription of a movement from a string quartet by Moshe Rappaport, with beautiful unison and soothing harmonies; and Mendelssohn's First Symphony.

It is interesting to note that for this, his first performance since his return, Menahem Pressler chose a composition that he had performed under the same conductor in the curfew days of 1947 and then again at his farewell concert five years ago — Schumann's Piano Concerto, and this repetition gave the audience a good opportunity of gauging the pianist's development. Mr. Pressler's approach to Schumann used to be very delicate — the kind of touch that is required for all Debussy compositions. Now his technical capacity is superior and his style has matured, becoming more manly and more resolute; yet his former more lyrical conception of Schumann was just as valid as his present orientation to a Rubinstein sort of style.

Indian Music

BERNARD Jacob, a Walter Goehr disciple from Calcutta, was the guest conductor of S.A. Wadia's Concert Allegro over Kol Yisrael on Thursday. The orientation of this pleasing piece is decidedly Western, with an early 19th-century harmonic pattern.

FRANGO

In Haifa

THE Haifa Orchestra offered a newly studied programme at this week's Gan Ha'em concert under Frank Peleg. "Bachianas Brasileiras" by Hector Villa-Lobos is the last of a series of five suites written, as the prolific composer himself calls it, "in the spirit of Bach," but rooted in Brazilian music. The work was competently played by a double quartet, and the voice part executed by Antonie Lavanne, whose voice is cultured and truly pleasant.

Hugo Wolf's "Italian Serenade" should also have been performed by a limited ensemble, for the orchestra as a whole is not yet ready for it. The Mozart Aria and Alleluia from "Exultate Jubilate" was more successful, mainly thanks to Miss Lavanne's taste and perfect technique.

G.W.-B.

Friday's Press

Capital and Manpower — B.G.

Writing on the "advantage of Israel" Mr. D. Ben Gurion says at the conclusion of a long article in "Davar" (Histadrut) that public funds will not suffice to build and develop the country and that all possible arrangements have to be made to attract foreign capital. But to attract capital and immigrants are two very different things: A regime which guarantees the influx of capital does not guarantee the attraction of immigrants — and this is the fundamental problem. Israel cannot offer material incentives: her advantage over other countries must be sought in other fields.

China for U.N.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) criticizes Israel's decision to vote in favour of Communist China's admission to the U.N. and asks what we will gain from the vote of a country whose policy is identical with the Soviet line and which has not agreed to exchange diplomatic representatives with this country, while we rejected Spanish overtures for the establishment of diplomatic relations.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) deals with its campaign to establish playgrounds and youth clubs in Tel Aviv, and asks its readers to collaborate in collecting the money necessary for this urgent task.

Both "Zmanim" (Progressive) and "Omer" (Histadrut) comment on General Burns' report to the U.N. The former says that most of the remarks are half truths and thinks that as no point in Israel is very far from the border, the demand not to hold manoeuvres in the vicinity of the frontier is not only legally unjustified but practically impossible. But it must be noted that the chief U.N. observer has not yet made up his mind on the basic issues involved, and that he invites Israel criticism and stresses his readiness to work for the preservation of the armistice agreement until peace is achieved. "Zmanim" says that therefore the Foreign Ministry should ask General Burns to take concrete steps towards this end.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) comments on its party conference, the first since the recent split, and says that the liquidation of factionalism will be an important step forward. The same goes for the admission of the members of the Arab division of Mapam to full membership.

Na'aman Drainage Undertaken

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA. — BY the spring, at the conclusion of the first stage in an IL.16m. drainage programme, 18,000 dunams of newly drained irrigated land will be available for cultivation, and an additional 160,000 dunams will be ready by 1960. This will include 60,000 dunams in the northern Hula swamps; 40,000 each at Na'aman and Kabara swamps; 28,000 in the Wadi Rubin area; and 5,000 each in Wadi Falik and the Agan Ata near Hadera.

The first stage of this work will cost IL.1.8m., of which the Government has allocated IL.378,000, while the rest will have to be provided by those who will benefit from the drainage. To cover this outlay, they will be granted 12-year loans at five per cent interest, said Mr. Z. Levinson, of the Ministry of Agriculture's Water Authority at a press conference held jointly with the Na'aman District Council of Emek Zevulun. The Water Authority has estimated that the investment of the settlements and district councils in the drainage programme can be recovered within six years by the product of the reclaimed land.

Mr. Y. Porter, the Na'aman Council Chairman, stated that the Water Authority would contribute IL.50,000 for work in the Na'aman area, while the Council would put up IL.10,000 and the Ministry of Labour would allocate IL.30,000. The completion of the first stage would require IL.100,0000 which, the Council feels, should be contributed by the various bodies who will benefit from the work, such as the Jewish National Fund, the Development Authority, the State Domain (which owns much land in the area) and the Acre Town Council, whose industrial zone now suffers from the floods that the work will eliminate.

Settlements Flooded

The 16-year-old kibbutzim of Ein Hamifratz and Kfar Masaryk suffer from constant winter flooding which causes great damage to their fields, fish-ponds, livestock sheds and chicken coops. Despite their repeated calls for aid, the first stage of the work was undertaken only a few weeks ago. It calls for removing 50,000 cu.m. of earth for a 3.6-km.-long drainage channel to be dug to the Na'aman's estuary, and 20,000 cu.m. more to widen the estuary itself.

Because of the 40,000 dunams of Na'aman swamps, the area has remained only sparsely settled, Mr. B. Kinori of the Water Authority's Northern Branch said. Half of the Na'aman swamp zone is subject to direct flooding at least once every two years, while the rest of the lands in the zone suffer indirectly from the lack of drainage through a high water table and soil salinity reaching five per cent. In some cases, the present wheat crops of 50 kg. per dunam can be increased four-fold after drainage. Five thousand dunams of the most saline land are at present used for fish ponds, where the high water pressure will reduce salinity after some years.

The Haleen stream brings rainwater from a 162 sq. km. watershed in mighty floods totalling from half a million to 4.5m. cu. m. annually. Sometimes it flows as fast as 50 cu. m. of water per second, nearly seven times as much as the Dan with its abundant waters. At a later stage, a dam will be constructed at the eastern border of the present swamp to regulate the flow of the Haleen.

District Authorities

A committee charged by the Government with the preparation of a national drainage law is about to complete its deliberations and shortly will submit its recommendations. District drainage authorities will be established to watch over the rights and obligations of land owners and to direct hydrotechnical maintenance to prevent the redeterioration of the area. Such an authority is of special urgency in the Na'aman area, which receives about [illegible] million cubic metres of water mixed with caustic soda a year from the Ata Kurdaneh dyeing plant.

899 Jewish Papers in World

SINCE 1678, when the first paper, "Gazeta de Amsterdam," appeared in Ladino, thousands of Jewish papers and periodicals have been published. There were newspapers of short duration and there were papers which survived their first growing pains and stayed alive for a long time. At the moment, the oldest Jewish paper is "The Jewish Chronicle" (founded in 1841) and the youngest Jewish publication may well have seen the light of day whilst these lines were being written. In the vast family of the Jewish press in 78 nations a funeral or a birth is hardly noticed.

Today, there are more Jewish papers and periodicals than at the time of Hitler's rise to power. Jewish papers disappeared in Russia and Poland but came to life in Israel, the Jewish press died in Rumania but multiplied itself in Argentina, it was strangled in Lithuania and Galicia but in America and South Africa it awoke to new life.

A country that has a Jewish community but no Jewish newspaper is isolated — almost cut off from the Jewish people. The Jew reads the paper of his country of domicile but usually also a Jewish paper. If not, that is usually the first sign of his growing estrangement from the Jewish people. In countries where the publication of Jewish papers is prohibited, the right of Jews to live as Jews is also endangered.

Singapore with 870 Jews, Luxembourg with 870 Jews, Peru with 3,000 and Venezuela with 3,000 Jews, have Jewish papers, whereas Russia, a country with approximately two million Jews, has only one Jewish paper in Birobidjan, and its circulation is 3,000. Uruguay with about 40,000 Jews and Canada with 210,000 Jewish inhabitants, publish Jewish dailies, weeklies and monthlies, whereas Rumania, with a Jewish population of 250,000, has only one Jewish weekly, and it is printed in Rumanian. The only other Jewish paper, which appeared in Yiddish, was recently discontinued.

Of the world's 899 Jewish papers, 341 are published in Israel, 224 in the U.S., 136 in Europe, and 118 in Central and South America. Forty-six per cent of the Diaspora papers are in English, and 34 in Yiddish (all the dailies are in Yiddish). There used to be Hebrew dailies, but today not even one Hebrew weekly is published in Europe.

Jewish editors, reporters and critics in 78 countries present and interpret to millions of readers Jewish events, political trends, developments in the arts and in science. Grave responsibilities rest upon these men, whose duty it is to warn the Jewish people of approaching physical or spiritual dangers. On their watchfulness depends our ability to guard ourselves from within or without. The most effective weapon against assimilation is the Jewish press. Disappearance of Diaspora Jewry, of the Yiddish language? Cleavage of the Jewish people into "Israelis" and "Jews"? No,— not as long as we have a Jewish press of which we may be proud.

JOSEPH FRAENKEL

Readers' Letters

CENSORSHIP DAMAGE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — A letter bearing the remark "Philatelic Mail—Please Cancel Lightly" was recently despatched to my address from the U.S. In accordance with this request, the U.S. postal authorities stamped the letter carefully and lightly, whereas our Censorship not only tore open the envelope right at the end covered with the stamps, but also stuck on them the label "Opened by Censor," thus rendering them altogether valueless. To top it all, the stamps were abundantly covered with sealing wax. Is all this really necessary?

Furthermore, while an ordinary air-letter with no enclosure was censored, a letter containing a dollar cheque (which, incidentally, could plainly be seen through the panel) was delivered to me without having been opened by the censor. Where exactly does censorship come in?

Yours, etc.,
S. HELLER.

Haifa, August 31.

Postal Censor's Reply

In order to prevent complaints of this kind, according to a strict instruction in force at the Censor's offices, no letter must be opened at the stamped end, but if a letter is passed on to Customs because of its content (in this case, stamps), it is opened twice — by the censor and by the customs, whereby it is sometimes unavoidable that the envelope is spoilt. Moreover, mistakes may happen under the increased pressure of work before the holidays.

As to the second part of the letter, there is no cause for complaint, as the censor does not open every envelope.

Yours, etc.,
G. SHMUKLER, CENSOR

Haifa, September 7.

SDOM SPRINGS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With all due respect and admiration for the well-known Yiddish American writer, Mr. S. Broches, I wish to correct some of his statements concerning my work in his article, "Sdom Notebook," published in your paper on August 25.

The springs referred to were not those of Ein Gedi, famous as they are for their very low salt content, but the sulphur springs situated a quarter of an hour's drive to the north of Sdom. The residual matter lining the natural channels through which the spring waters run towards the Dead Sea, is not "phosphorous" but sulphurous, and the "dried phosphor" on the slopes is nothing but veins of gypsum contained in the Lisan Marls of this region.

These springs, however, are in fact a very interesting occurrence because of their high content of sulphuretted hydrogen. They are therefore being examined and surveyed by this Service, in cooperation with the Ministry of Development, with a view to future development and exploitation as curative springs.

Yours, etc.,
DR. W. STERN,
Deputy Director, Hydrological Service, Water Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture.

Jerusalem, August 31.

PRESS REVIEW

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am not satisfied with the very little space you devote to your review of the Hebrew Press, which is less comprehensive every day. On the other hand, I feel that you devote too much space, and too often, to your Law Reports.

Yours, etc.,
M. LICHTENTHAL

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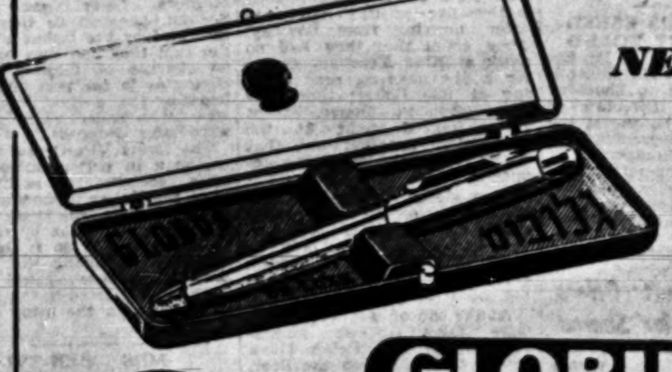

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